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In re application of:

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 25, 2004, Applicants respectfully submit the following response. A petition for a three-month extension of time to extend the period of response to on or before December 25, 2004 accompanies this response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.